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TO: Division of Records and Reporting

Division of Legal Services, Alice Crosby

FROM: Division of Water & Wastewater, J. Travis Coker & Low 2.

DOCKET NO. 960309-WU; Request for exemption from Florida Public Service RE:

Commission regulation for provision of water service by Comp-lete Foods in

DeSoto County.

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On March 8, 1996, Ms. Sherry M. Zendel, President of Comp-lete Foods, filed an application on behalf of Comp-lete Foods for an exemption as a water service provider from the Florida Public Service Commission under Section 367.021 (12), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.060(3)(i), Florida Administrative Code as a non-jurisdictional entity. The location of the water system is 2998 S.W. County Road 760, Arcadia, Florida, 33821. The system provides water service for restrooms and a drinking water fountain. The mailing address is P.O. Box 1230, Nocatee, Florida, 33864-9998. Mr. Michael W. Ritzie will act as the contact person for Commission purposes. Comp-lete Foods is a food processing business operating as a corporation. Water service is provided by a well. Wastewater service is provided by septic tank.

In its application, Comp-lete Foods states it provides water service and there is no charge for providing utility service. Additionally, all costs of providing service are treated or recovered as operational expenses. The applicant acknowledged Section 837.06, Florida Statutes, regarding false statements.

Based upon the facts presented herein, staff believes Comp-lete Foods is exempt from Commission regulation as a water service provider as defined by Section 367.021(12), Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-30.060(3)(j), Florida Administrative Code. 2.08(C)(14) of the Administrative Procedures Manual (APM) gives staff the administrative authority to approve requests for exempt status when the application is clear-cut and without controversy.

Therefore, staff recommends that an administrative order be issued as soon as possible finding Comp-lete Foods exempt from Commission regulation pursuant to Section SEC 1367.021(12), Florida Statutes. Staff further recommends that the order require Comp-lete Foods to notify this Commission in the event of any change of circumstances or method of operation of its water system. Furthermore, staff recommends that this docket be closed.